

Why Join?

Have you thought of getting involved in your community, reaching out a helping hand to someone in need? Want to feel connected to others through good works? If you answered yes, or even maybe, you have come to the right place.

Come join our dynamic group as we seek to enlarge our membership so that we can do even more for those in need. When you join local Philoptochos, you automatically become a member of National Philoptochos.

Nationally, Philoptochos is celebrating over 85 years of philanthropy. In one year alone, \$2.06 million was distributed to organizations, individuals and families in need.

You can be a part of this legacy. Join 27,500 members, nationwide, in changing the world, one person at a time. The time to act is now, the need is great, and you can make a difference.

Philoptochos and You

- ◆ Make an impact
- ◆ Help those in need
- ◆ Change someone's life
- ◆ Develop friendships
- ◆ Shape your experience
- ◆ Use your skills and expertise
- ◆ Learn from others
- ◆ Be a part of a philanthropic movement

*For membership information, please contact us at
910-392-4444*

Mission Statement

To aid the poor, the destitute, the hungry, the aged, the sick, the unemployed, the orphaned, the imprisoned, the widowed, the disabled, the victims of disasters, to undertake the burial of impoverished persons and to offer assistance to anyone who may need the help of the Church through fund raising efforts.

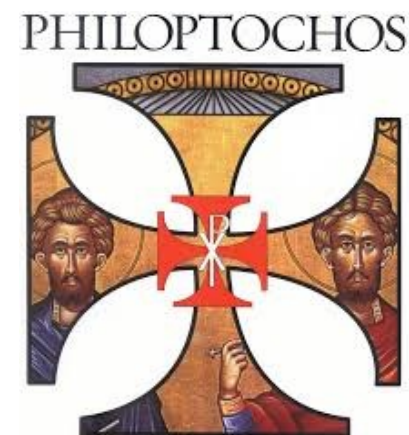
Be a Part of the Mission

New challenges await and unanticipated needs continue to present themselves. As much as our chapter does, it can always do more. Help expand our outreach and help us to continue to give donations, hope and love immediately when a tragedy happens. Become a member and contribute to existing initiatives, develop new programs, or identify a need that hasn't been met. Give hope to the hopeless and make a difference in people's lives.

Philoptochos is an army of women whose collective drive, dedication and heart help those who need it most. Philoptochos is compassion; love; and strength. Philoptochos is YOU.

Ladies Philoptochos Society

A Legacy of Philanthropy



**ΕΝΩΣΗ (united)
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Our Philoptochos

Since 1942, our “Enosis” chapter has grown and expanded its activities because the women of this parish have heeded the call. We are deeply grateful to those women who preceded us, maintained their cultural and religious heritage, who walked from store to store seeking donations to build a church and a Greek School program, who grew to support the national charities. Even though they could not always speak the language of America, they did understand the language of kindness and charity.

What Does Our Philoptochos Do?

We undertake many philanthropic endeavors during the course of the year. Last year, our fund-raising efforts allowed our chapter to donate over **\$21,000** to local and national charities.

Local Outreach

- ◆ NourishNC
- ◆ Good Shepherd Center
- ◆ The Carousel Center
- ◆ Mother Hubbard’s Cupboard
- ◆ Diaper bank
- ◆ Lower Cape Fear Hospice

Scholarships

- ◆ St Stephens Camp
- ◆ Diakonia Center youth events
- ◆ Hellenic Dance Festival

National Outreach

Cancer Fund, Autism Assistance, OCF, OCMC, HC/HC Scholarship Fund, IOCC, St Photios Shrine, St Basil Academy, Retired Clergy Association, Emergency Fund, Sisterhood of Presbyteres, Ecumenical Patriarchate, UNICEF, General Medical Fund, Aid to Greece and Cyprus

Social Services

The heart of Philoptochos is helping those in need and those who find themselves facing a crisis or challenge. Through hard work, faith and dedication our Philoptochos chapter is truly a “friend of the poor”. We humbly assist families and individuals who needed financial assistance with:

- ◆ Utilities
- ◆ Medical Expenses
- ◆ Domestic violence relocation
- ◆ Meals at major holidays (Thanksgiving baskets, etc)
- ◆ Hurricane relief

‘For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

- Matthew 25:35-36

Our Special Events

- ◆ Vasilopita Auction
- ◆ Taverna Night/ Silent Auction
- ◆ Fall Membership Drive
- ◆ Thanksgiving Baskets
- ◆ Holiday Pastry Sale
- ◆ Christmas Card and Poinsettia Sales
- ◆ Christmas Gifts/ Homeless Teens and Brigade Boys/ Girls Club
- ◆ Christmas Social
- ◆ Easter Lilies Sales
- ◆ Palm Sunday Luncheon
- ◆ End of Year Social
- ◆ Prayer Books for New Moms
- ◆ Rise Against Hunger Meal Packing Events
- ◆ Hospice Meals of Love

Membership

When considering the amount of your donation, remember that \$25 is allocated for National and Metropolis Philoptochos. Any amount over \$25 will remain at our local chapter to help those in need.